

**RESOLUTION NO. 2019-96**  
**REJECT BIDS FOR SEWER TREATMENT PLANT**  
**BLOWER PIPING REPLACEMENT**

**WHEREAS**, the Township Water & Sewer Engineer was directed by Township Council to prepare plans, specifications and solicit bids for the installation of replacement blower piping at the Florence Township Sewer Treatment Plan; and

**WHEREAS**, one bid was received on Wednesday, April 17, 2019 at 10:00 a.m. by the Township Administrator, the Township Water & Sewer Engineer and the Township Clerk; and

**WHEREAS**, the single bidder, Municipal Maintenance Co., 1352 Taylors Lane, Cinnaminson, New Jersey 08077 submitted a bid in the amount of \$309,545.00; and

**WHEREAS**, the tabulation of the single bid received in response to the advertisement is substantially in excess of the Township Water & Sewer Engineer's estimate provided for the work to be performed; and

**WHEREAS**, the Township Water & Sewer Engineer has recommended that the bid be rejected and that new bids should be sought upon advertising at the earliest time possible upon adoption of this resolution; and

**WHEREAS**, the Members of Township Council accept the recommendation from the Township Water & Sewer Engineer.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the Council of the Township of Florence, County of Burlington, State of New Jersey, that


1. The single bid for the Sewer Treatment Plant Blower Piping Replacement is hereby rejected as per the recommendation of the Township Water & Sewer Engineer pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A:11-13.2.
2. The Township Water & Sewer Engineer is authorized to immediately re-bid the project in a manner that is consistent with applicable law.

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I, **NANCY L. ERLSTON**, Clerk of the Township of Florence, County of Burlington, State of New Jersey, do hereby certify that the foregoing Resolution is a true copy of the Resolution approved by Township Council at their May 1, 2019 meeting.

  
**NANCY L. ERLSTON, RMC**  
**TOWNSHIP CLERK**



## *Richard A. Alaimo Association of Engineers*

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April 25, 2019

Mr. Richard A. Brook, Administrator  
Township of Florence  
711 Broad Street  
Florence, New Jersey 08518

Re: Township of Florence  
Sewage Treatment Plant Blower Piping  
Replacement  
Contract No. 2018-2  
Our File No. C-370-179

Dear Richard:

One bid proposal for the referenced project was received on April 17, 2019. This bid is summarized on the enclosed bid tabulation prepared by our office. Municipal Maintenance Co. submitted the low bid in the amount of \$309,545.00, which is substantially in excess of our construction estimate.

We have contacted the three other contractors who purchased the bid documents to inquire into why they decided not to bid. The companies that responded to our inquiry stated that their schedule is currently too full to take on this project or did not finish the bid package in time.

We recommend the Township reject the bid in accordance with N.J.S.A. 40A:11-13.2 and rebid the project at a time when it may be possible to attract more bidders.

Very truly yours,

RICHARD A. ALAIMO ASSOCIATION  
OF ENGINEERS

Lionel M. Galipot, P.E.  
Associate

LMG/das  
Enclosures

cc/enc: David A. Lebak, Director, Florence Township Water & Sewer Department  
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